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1. FOREIGN MINISTRY AND DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE
HAVE FLESHED OUT SCHEDULE OF DATUK SRI DR. MAHATHIR
MOHAMED AS FOLLOWS:

JULY
SAT-9TH: ARRIVE LOS ANGELES JL 06Z 1510. STAY BONA-
VENTURA HOTEL. PRIVATE DINNER AT RESIDENCE HONORARY
MALAYSIAN CONSUL HIXON.
SUN-10TH: FREE DURING DAY. DINNER FOR 20 GUESTS
ORGANIZED BY HIXON.
MON-11TH: LA TO PHILADELPHIA AA60 ARRIVING 2027.
STAY UNIVERSITY HILTON HOTEL.
TUES-12TH: ATTEND SEMINAR ON NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
AT UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.
WEDS-13TH: CONCLUDE SEMINAR. PHIL-NY BY METROLINER
ARRIVING 1800. STAY PLAZA HOTEL.
THU-14TH: MEETING WITH WALTER WRISTON, CHAIRMAN OF
CITICORP, FOLLOWED BY LUNCH. AFTERNOON VISIT TO
GOM'S FIDA OFFICE. ATTEND PERFORMANCE OF "THE KING
AND I" FOLLOWED BY SUPPER HOSTED BY REYNOLDS
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FRI-15TH: VISIT HYDROPONIC FARM (BXONX?) AND IBM
COMPUTER CENTER. LUNCH WITH MALAYSIAN PERMREP TO UN
TAN SRI ZAITON. DEPART LAGUARDIA BN 117 1340 ARRIVE
DCA 1436 HOURS. STAY WITH GOM AMBASSADOR ZAIN. 1730-
1830 SPEECH TO ASIA SOCIETY FOLLOWED BY QUESTION AND
ANSWER PERIOD.
SAT-16TH: MORNING FREE. LUNCH IN GEORGETOWN.

1615 TOUR OF AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM.
SUN-17TH: DEPART WASHINGTON UA 285 1030 ARRIVE
COLUMBUS 1130. LUNCH WITH MALAYSIAN STUDENTS. BY CAR
TO ATHENS, OHIO. STAY OHIO UNIVERSITY HOTEL. 1600
MEETING WITH OU PRESIDENT AND DEANS. 1900 DINNER WITH
MALAYSIAN STUDENTS AND DIALOGUE.
MON-18TH: DEPART ATHENS 0850 FOR CHICAGO VIA
COLUMBUS (TW111) ARRIVING 1200 HOURS. LUNCHEON
SPEECH TO GROUP ORGANIZED BY MID-AMERICA COMMITTEE.
STAY RITZ-CARLTON HOTEL.
TUE-19TH: DEPART CHICAGO UA123 1000 FOR SAN FRANCISCO
ARRIVING 1225. STAY ST. FRANCIS HOTEL. 1400-1700
INFORMAL TOUR OF CITY. FOLLOWED BY VISIT TO TRADE PROMOTION
CENTER WHERE AWARD WILL BE MADE TO MALAYSIAN HONORARY
CONSUL GENERAL HARRY HAEHL.
WED-20TH: 0930-1030 VISIT TO DEL MONTE (CALIFORNIA
PACKING CORP.)CANNERY. 1100 VISIT TO LOGICAL MACHINE
CORP., SUNNYVALE. 1200-1430 LUNCHEON ADDRESS TO WORLD
AFFAIRS COUNCIL, SAN FRANCISCO.
THU-21ST: MORNING MEETING WITH MALAYSIAN STUDENTS.
DEPART SFO FOR HONG KONG PA001 1430 HOURS.
FRI-22ND: TCANSIT HONG KONG
SAT-23RD: ARRIVE KUALA LUMPUR 1515 HOURS.

2. FROM CONVERSATIONS WITH PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY
SATHIAH OF MFA AND OTHERS IT APPEARS THAT AMBASSADOR ZAIN
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HAS CONVINCED MAHATHIR TO ACCEPT A VERY BUSY SCHEDULE,
HOWEVER THE DPM IS HEALTHY AND RESILIENT AND SHOULD SURVIVE.
THE FACT THAT HE HAS SEEN FIT TO MAKE SPEECHES IN
NEW YORK, WASHINGTON, CHICAGO AND SAN FRANCISCO WE
FEEL IS PART OF A GROWING AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANT
OF ACQUAINTING AMERICANS WITH THE FACT OF MALAYSIA'S
EXISTENCE, SOMETHING WHICH IN THE PAST WAS NOT CONSIDERED
TOP PRIORITY. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT TRIP AND ANYTHING
THE DEPARTMENT CAN DO TO HELP MAKE IT SUCCESS WILL BE OF
GREAT BENEFIT TO US-MALAYSIAN RELATIONS.
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